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Transmittal of Phase 1 Treatability Study Work Plan, Perchlorate in Groundwater, Baldwin Park Operable Unit (BPOU), San Gabriel Basin

Dear Mr. Praskins:

In response to your request at our July 24, 1997 meeting, please find enclosed a copy of "Phase 1 Treatability Study Work Plan, Perchlorate in Groundwater, Baldwin Park Operable Unit (BPOU), San Gabriel Basin" dated August 26, 1997. This work plan was prepared by Harding Lawson Associates and is submitted on behalf of the BPOU Steering Committee. The plan describes the approach and methods that we will use to assess the biochemical reduction process previously tested at Aerojet's Sacramento facility for applicability in the BPOU. Please note that portions of this work plan contain Confidential Business Information. The BPOUSC requests that this portion of the work plan not be further distributed without BPOUSC permission.

The proposed Phase 1 treatability study schedule requires that we reach agreement on the scope of this treatability study within 30 days. The BPOUSC will immediately begin planning activities, including equipment procurement and assembly to assure conformance to the schedule.

Should you have any questions regarding this document please contact either Don Vanderkar or me.

Yours very truly,

HARDING LAWSON ASSOCIATES

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Enclosure

cc: Mr. David Towell - CH2M Hill